South Dakota Electrical Commission Notice of Public Hearing to Adopt Rules

A public hearing will be held telephonically on April 21, 2020, at 10:00 a.m., to consider the adoption and amendment of proposed rules numbered 20:44:14:01, 20:44:15:07, 20:44:16:23, 20:44:18:02, 20:44:18:06, 20:44:19:05, 20:44:19:06, 20:44:20:01 to 20:44:20:10, inclusive, 20:44:20:13, and 20:44:24:05.

The effect of the rules will be to adopt the 2020 National Electrical Code (the "2020 NEC"), update the reference to the 2018 International Building Code (the "2018 IBC"), document the ability to waive certain requirements, define terms, document the ability to utilize an owner exemption permit, document the available options an inspector may utilize at the final stage of inspection, increase the fees for certain inspections and establish an allotted amount of inspections per permit type.

The reasons for adopting the proposed rules are to adopt the 2020 NEC, update the reference to the 2018 IBC, document changes to the licensing, permitting and inspection process, increase revenues to match current expenses and notify permittees of how many inspections are allotted per permit.

Persons interested in presenting data, opinions, and arguments for or against the proposed rules may do so via phone or by sending them to the South Dakota Electrical Commission (the "Commission"), 308 South Pierre St., Pierre, South Dakota 57501. Material sent by mail must reach the South Dakota Electrical Commission by April 20, 2020 to be considered.

After the hearing, the board will consider all written and oral comments it receives on the proposed rules. The board may modify or amend a proposed rule at that time to include or exclude matters that are described in this notice.

Notice is further given to individuals with disabilities that this hearing is being held in a physically accessible place. Please notify the South Dakota Electrical Commission at least 48 hours before the public hearing if you have special needs for which special arrangements must be made. The telephone number for making special arrangements is (605) 773-3573.

Telephonic access information will be available at https://dlr.sd.gov/electrical/commission_meetings.aspx in the meeting agenda.

Copies of the proposed rules may be obtained by visiting the Commission website at electrical.sd.gov or by contacting the Commission at:

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